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7 June 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

FROM: Chairman, FBIS Digital Collection Working Group (DCWG)

SUBJECT: Minutes of the 7 June 1988 Meeting

1. The tenth meeting of the DCWG was held at FBIS on 7 June 88. DCWG
Chairman [] reviewed the Action Items and Sub-Group Chairmen Reports:

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A. Chairman's report on Action Items

(1) Viewgraphs from OSO. Not yet obtained due to travel []

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(2) Baseline Description of FBIS Operations -- In preparation
by GE/SES []

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B. Sub Group Chairmen Progress Reports

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(2) Chairman's Trip Reports:

(a) Equatorial-- [] distributed copies of a report (see
attachment) on his 26 May trip to Equatorial Communications
Company in Mountain View, California, which included a summary
of technical system design and operation specifications. FBIS
is interested in this area not only because of Xinhua material
and possible Reuters use, but because it represents a technical
innovation of possible widespread use of spread spectrum and
VSAT technology, which would preclude FBIS collection with
current equipment. []

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
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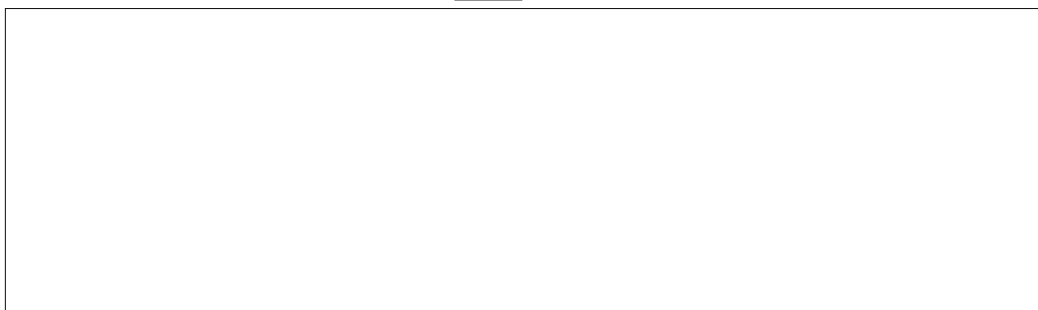
C. New Business:

(1) Part III of the FBIS Digital Collection Action Plan: The first draft of Part III ("Proposed Collection Methods for Future Signals") has been completed  It sketches out the major areas to be addressed, but is not yet ready to be distributed for comment and review by the Working Group. Since this will be the most important part of the Action Plan, its scope needs to be expanded, its content should correlate more closely to Part II (Technical Trends), the collection methods outlined should form the basis of Part IV ("Implementation Plan" --Action Plan, Budget Requirements, Management Plan), and it should raise the major issues to be addressed in Part V ("Digital Collection Issues" --Legal/Political Factors and Impact on FBIS Operations). 

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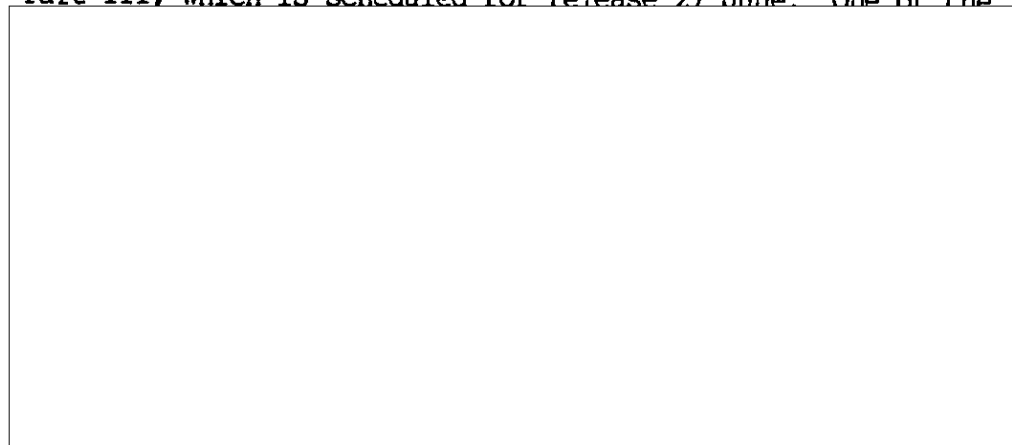
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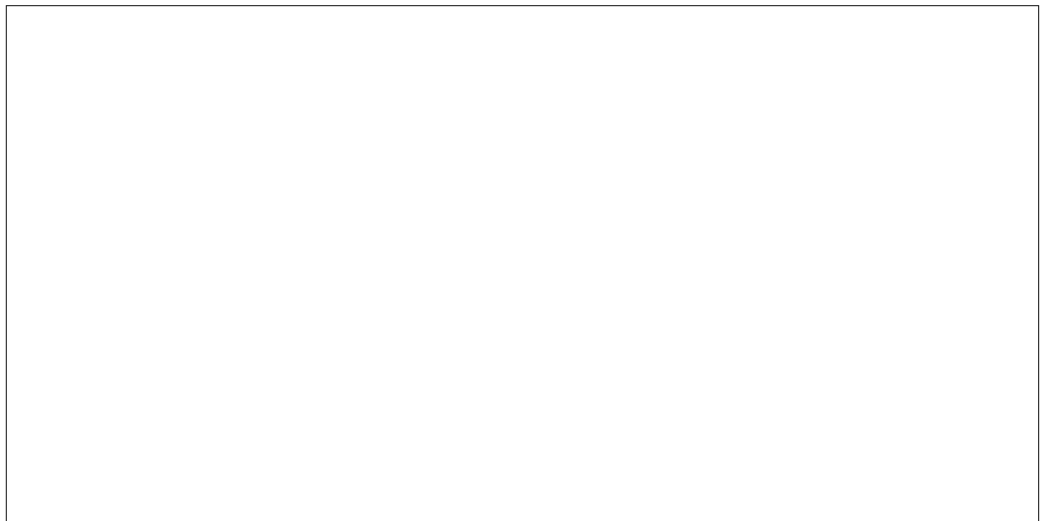


(3) Part V of the FBIS Digital Collection Action Plan ("Digital Collection Issues" -- Legal/Political Factors and Impact on FBIS Systems and Operations): The Chairman has begun to compile a list of issues and topics that will have to be addressed by FBIS in the future, and is soliciting additional ideas from the Working Group membership. The suggested date for input to Part V is 21 June, since it may well impact on Part III, which is scheduled for release 27 June. One of the

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2. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 11 July 1988 at 10:00 in
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Chairman, DCWG

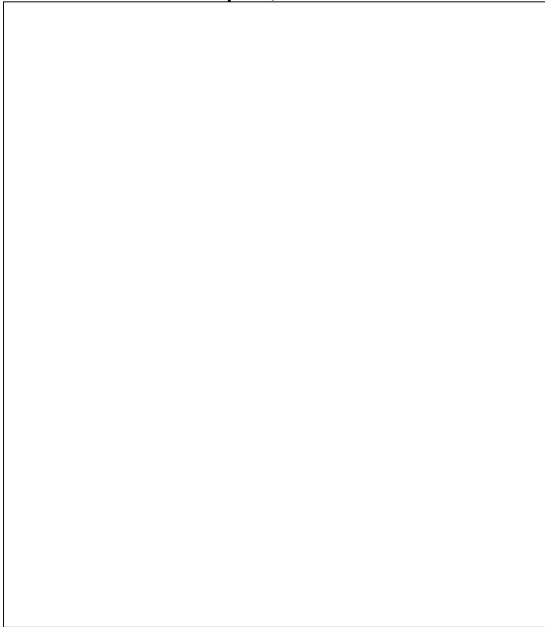
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